

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

Property Name: Detour Historic District Inventory Number: CARR-1160

Address: Historic district: ☒ yes ☐ no

City: Zip Code: County: Carroll

USGS Quadrangle(s): Woodsboro

Property Owner: Tax Account ID Number:

Tax Map Parcel Number(s): Tax Map Number:

Project: Agency:

Agency Prepared By: Emil Elinsky, DOT/FHWA

Preparer's Name: Date Prepared: 10/9/1985

Documentation is presented in:

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☒ Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*

Name of the District/Property:

Inventory Number: Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ no Listed: ☐ yes ☐ no

to visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: Date:

Description of Property and Justification: (Please attach map and photo)

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW**

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

MHT Comments: The Detour Historic District was Federally nominated for the National Register of Historic Places.

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Beth L. Savage

Reviewer, National Register Program

Date

Wednesday, October 23, 1985

Date

CARR - 1160

DETOUR HISTORIC DISTRICT

Multiple dates

Detour

private

The Detour Historic District is located on the east side of Double Pipe Creek just north of the location where the Little Pipe Creek and Big Pipe Creek flow together to form the Double Pipe Creek. Detour is a village of about 22 houses and business structures that primarily date from the late 19th century. The architecture relies mainly on the regional vernacular style of the late 19th and early 20 centuries showing the national influence of the popular Victorian styles. The location of the village between the Double Pipe Creek and the Western Maryland Railway tracks provides a compact community that flourished until the mid-20th century.

Detour is an example of a eighteenth century mill village that evolved into a small town with the coming of the Western Maryland Railroad. It was begun as a mill village in the 1790s by Joshua Delaplane who erected grist, woolen and saw mills at the confluence of Little and Big Pipe Creeks. The village of five or six houses was known as Double Pipe Creek. In 1868, the Western Maryland Railroad was extended from Union Bridge and the town was laid out by Daniel P. Sayler. The community became an important commercial center for the region, and was renamed Detour.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic DETOUR, DOUBLE PIPE CREEK

and/or common DETOUR

### 2. Location

street & number Middleburg Road at intersection with Double Pipe Creek \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Detour \_\_\_ vicinity of congressional district Sixth

state Maryland county Carroll

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Multiple private owners

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex liber

street & number 55 North Court St folio

city, town Westminster, state MD

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. CARR-1160

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

**Summary:** The Detour Historic District is located on the east side of Double Pipe Creek just north of the location where the Little Pipe Creek and Big Pipe Creek flow together to form the Double Pipe Creek. Detour is a village of about 22 houses and business structures that primarily date from the late 19th century. The architecture relies mainly on the regional vernacular style of the late 19th and early 20 centuries. The location of the village between the Double Pipe Creek and the Western Maryland Railway tracks provides a compact community that flourished until the mid-20th century.

**Description:** The Detour Historic District is located on the east side of Double Pipe Creek just north of the location where the Little Pipe Creek and Big Pipe Creek flow together to form the Double Pipe Creek. The location was important in the late 18th century because the river provided power for the mill village created here by Joshua Delaplane. The location of the village between the Double Pipe Creek and the Western Maryland Railway tracks provides a compact community that flourished until the mid-20th century.

Detour is a village of about 22 houses and business structures that primarily date from the late 19th century. Most of the houses standing today date from after 1868, when the Western Maryland Railroad was extended to this village, which was then known as Double Pipe Creek. Several floods have damaged the properties in Detour and caused some rebuilding of the community at various intervals.

The architecture relies mainly on the regional vernacular style of the late 19th and early 20 centuries displaying national influences of the rural Victorian styles. The basic form of the regional farmhouse is dressed up with Victorian period designs such as wood siding scored to resemble stone block (7576 Middleburg Road), projecting bay windows (7539 Middleburg Road), ornamental window frames (7575 Middleburg Road), and porches throughout the village with ornamental bracket trim.

The individual structures in Detour are listed as sites Carr-1161 through Carr-1185.

## 8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-1160

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Summary: Detour is an example of a eighteenth century mill village that evolved into a small town with the coming of the Western Maryland Railroad. It was begun as a mill village in the 1790s by Joshua Delaplane who erected grist, woolen and saw mills at the confluence of Little and Big Pipe Creeks. The village of five or six houses was known as Double Pipe Creek. In 1868, the Western Maryland Railroad was extended from Union Bridge and the town was laid out by Daniel P. Sayler. The community became an important commercial center for the region, and was renamed Detour.

History: A short history of Double Pipe Creek was written by W. W. Sweigart in the 1890s as part of a series of town histories published in the Carroll Record, a newspaper published in Taneytown. This history describes the founding of the community and the erection of some of the buildings in town.

The town began in 1794 as a mill village located on a portion of the 600 acre patent known as "Prosperity" and owned by Joshua Delaplane. Delaplane built a large grist mill, a saw mill and a woolen mill.

According to Sweigart, Delaplane sold the property to Henry Waesche in 1835. In 1849, it was sold to Henry McKinstry who soon after sold some of the land to Daniel P. Sayler. When the Western Maryland Railroad was extended from Union Bridge in 1868, Sayler laid out the town.

Over the next several decades, Detour prospered as a commercial center for the surrounding farming community. But during the 20th century, as the importance of the railroad diminished, Detour prosperity languished. Today, the town stands relatively unaltered from its early 20th century appearance.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1160

W. W. Schweigart. "The History of Double Pipe Creek." The Carroll Record. circa 1895.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name Woodsboro

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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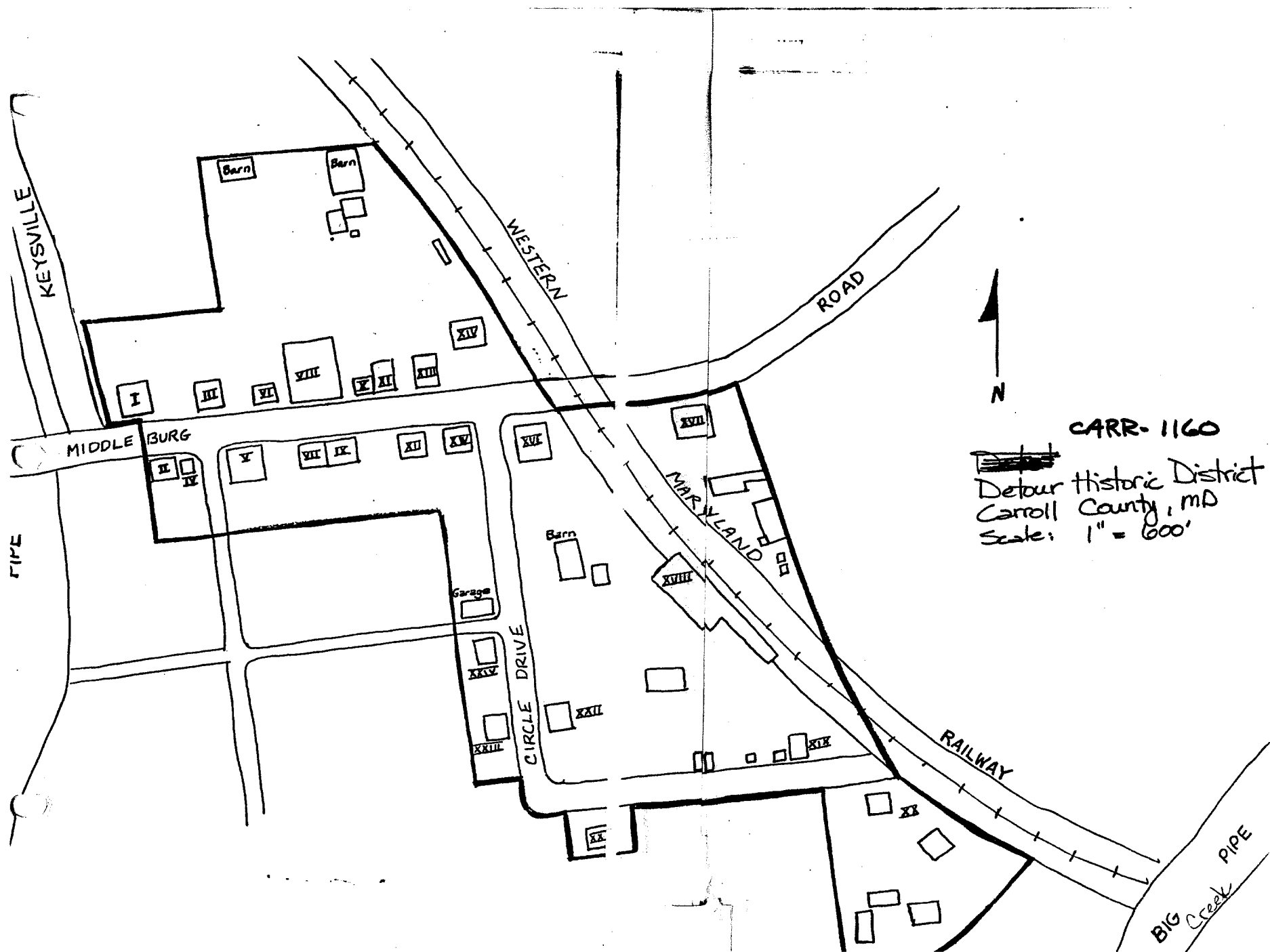
## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Joe Gettyorganization Carroll Co. Dept. of Planningdate April 1986street & number 225 N. Center St.telephone 848-4500city or town Westminsterstate MD

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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CARR-1160

~~Detour~~ Historic District  
Carroll County, MD  
Scale: 1" = 600'

WOODSBORO QUADRANGLE  
MARYLAND  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

5593 11 NW  
(TANEYTOWN)

CARR-1160







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3. Joe Getty
4. April 1986
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looking west
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